

[Letter from Carita Doggett Corse to Alan Lomax, May 25, 1942]

Federal Works Agency—Work Projects Administration OF FLORIDA

Call Botkin

Wilbur E. Harkness State Administrator

Jacksonville, Florida May 25, 1942

Mr. Alan Lomax, Assistant in Charge, Archive of American Folksong, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Lomax:

I am sorry to have to report that the Writers' Project is no longer able to work with folklore materials, and it would be impossible for us to make copies of the Florida recording pictures.

A fairly comprehensive set of 5 × 7 prints was sent to the Library of Congress, and was examined by Dr. Botkin and Mr. Seeger. I trust that you still have them on hand.

We have a considerable number of other photographs of Florida folk groups, such as the Greeks, Negroes, Latins, Crackers, Conchs and Seminoles, but only a few of them show recordings being made. If you can use such pictures, let us know the kinds you are interested in. We can only loan you the prints, as we do not have the negatives.

Sincerely yours, Carita D. Corse
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